



ATTENTION CUSTOMERS

NEW Laws Restrict Sales of Cold and Allergy Medicines

NORTH DAKOTA LAW RESTRICTS RETAIL SALES OF OVER-THE-COUNTER COLD AND ALLERGY PRODUCTS CONTAINING PSEUDOEPHEDRINE AND EPHEDRINE - USED TO MANUFACTURE METHAMPHETAMINE. IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE THE PRODUCTION OF METH NATIONWIDE, THE NEW FEDERAL “COMBAT METH ACT” IMPOSES ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

- Purchaser must be over 18. A government-issued photo ID is required.
- No more than 2 packages of restricted products can be sold in a single sale. Packages cannot contain more than a total of 2 grams (2,000 mg) of ephedrine HCl or pseudoephedrine HCl. The restrictions apply to liquid, gel-cap, and **pediatric** products.
- There is a **DAILY SALES LIMIT** and a **MONTHLY SALES LIMIT** – a purchaser may not buy more than 3.6 grams of restricted product per day or more than 9.0 grams of restricted product per calendar month. Retailers must track individual purchases.
- Retailers are required to keep a log of each sale. The log must include the purchaser's name, address, date of birth, license or ID card number, AND details of the purchase. The purchaser's phone number is not required. The **RETAILER** must verify the purchaser's identity and enter the name and quantity of the product sold. The **PURCHASER** must complete and sign the form.
- **The log must contain a warning to consumers** about use of false, forged, or altered identification. The log is **confidential** (*i.e., a purchaser's completed form must not be visible to another purchaser*) and can be released only to law enforcement officers. Records must be kept for three years.
- After September 30 2006, restricted products must be kept behind the counter or in a locked cabinet, **not on a store shelf**.



Working together to curb illegal drug use!

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Failure to comply with the law may result in criminal or civil penalties.